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Date: 26 JAN 78 By: 22I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS1. Career Preference Outlines for SIC.

a. The exercise of reviewing Career Preference Outlines for SIC raised several questions concerning the future of individuals in the School. This was further brought to focus by the recent

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interested in the possibility of being assigned to SR for this program. There appears to be no reason why this cannot be done; and for his own benefit as well as that of the Agency I recommend strongly that he be permitted the opportunity. If this is worked out the obvious question is how will the CPO&O course be supervised during his absence? I have discussed the matter with [REDACTED] who feels that he is capable of doing so but that he would not wish to be bound by its present form and would like to make certain changes. He also feels that there is some question as to whether or not personalities involved would be such that he could handle the assignment. It has been my objective to review and, to some extent to reorganize, each of the courses in SIC. If a change is to be made in the supervision of the course at this time I think it would be a very appropriate time to review it and probably to make certain changes in view of the fact that the major share of this course is still carried by [REDACTED] and in view of the fact that I feel

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on [REDACTED] Career Preference Outline. I feel it extremely important to put him back in actual operations of some sort wherein his uses to the Agency would be - first, his languages, second, his knowledge of Eastern Europe and third, his knowledge of Communism with the importance of each according to this order.

I am quite willing to recognize that within the small class and tutorial activity [REDACTED] is by far the most effective instructor but I believe his effectiveness has been considerably reduced and will ultimately become almost nullified if he

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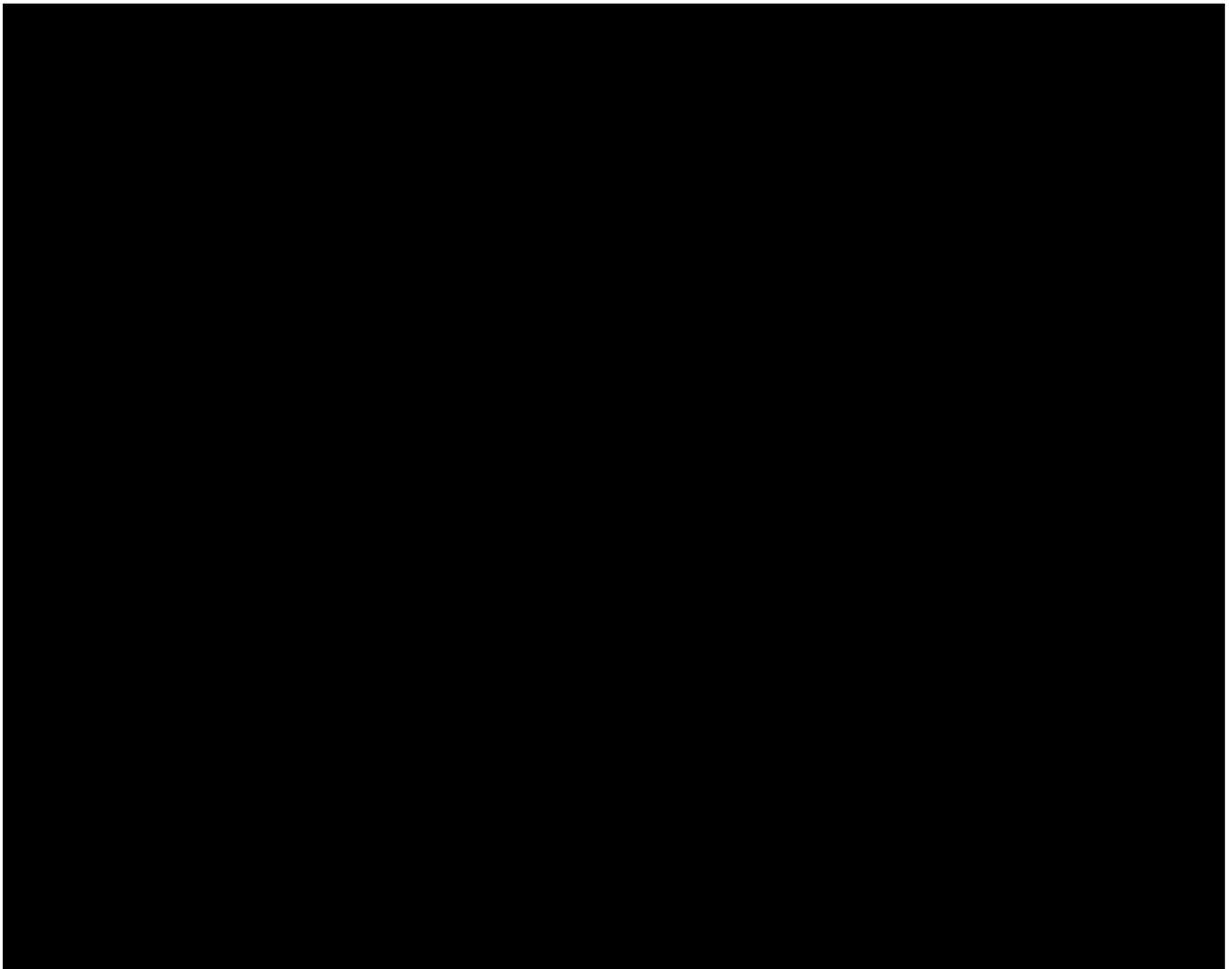
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2. It is interesting to note that the IOC consists of only 77 persons at this running and that the great majority of these are from DD/S. Furthermore, so far as I know there are no registrants lined up at all for the USSR Area Survey course in early March. This may not be unusual however in view of the fact that the notice of this course has only very recently gone out.

II. OTHER ACTIVITIES

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1. [REDACTED] gave a lecture on "The Purposes of SIC in Treating the Subject of the Soviet Man" for the A&E Staff who is having a series of lecture-discussions for their own people and for some of the OSI people. Apparently [REDACTED] challenged certain conclusions of an OSI representative last week concerning the place of ideology in the motivation of Soviet individuals. This I consider a wide-open subject and one about which I hope we do not draw too specific conclusions as it seems to me there is a great deal to be said for the argument that Communist ideology is frequently less a motivating factor than a hook upon which Soviet and other activities in this field are hung.

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